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APION LONGIROSTRE OLIVIER, WIDELY DISTRIBUTED IN NORTH AMERICA (COLEOPTERA: CURCULIONIDAE)

Apion longirostre Olivier commonly known as the 'hollyhock weevil' is a species introduced from Europe and is recently coming to attention in the United States. It breeds in the seeds of hollyhock and is becoming widely distributed here. It has now been found in the following States: New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Maryland, Virginia, Illinois, Missouri, Arkansas, Kentucky, Tennessee, North Carolina and Wisconsin; and in Canada, in Ontario (Simcoe, Norfolk Co., and Chatham). Observations have indicated that *A. longirostre* feeds only on hollyhock, but according to Shchegolev, V. N., Znamenskii, A. V., and Bey-Bienko, G. J. (1937, *Insect Pests of Field Crops*, Moscow, 2nd ed.: 486-487) it is a pest of field crops in U.S.S.R. The name appears in a list of cotton pests by Iyriboz (1941, T. C. Ziraat Vekâleti Nesriyati Umum No. 237 [Turkey], Mahsul Hastalıkları No. 1:80). For information on the life history and habits of *A. longirostre* see Tuttle (1954, *Ann. Ent. Soc. America* 47(2):306) and Tattershall and Davidson (1954, *Jour. Econ. Ent.* 47(1): 182, figs. 1, 2).—ROSE ELLA WARNER, *Ent. Res. Div., A.R.S., U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.*